89. Carpophaga poliocephala, G. R. Gray; Grant, Ibis, 1896, p. 564.

This splendid Green Fruit-Pigeon has been sent from both islands. This is the first time it has been recorded from Leite.

90. Macropygia tenuirostris, G. R. Gray; Grant, Ibis, 1896, p. 565.

A male of the Slender-billed Cuckoo-Dove from Leite; the first recorded from that island.

91. Turtur dussumieri (Temm.); Grant, Ibis, 1895, p. 471.

A specimen of Dussumier's Turtle-Dove from Samar, which is a new locality, though Mr. A. H. Everett met with it in South Leite.

92. Phlogœnas crinigera (Reichenb.); Salvad. Cat. B. Brit. Mus. xxi. p. 587 (1893); Bourns & Worcester, Occ. Pap. Minnesota Acad. Sci. i. no. 1, p. 30 (1894).

The Mindanao Blood-breasted Ground-Pigeon was obtained in Leite. It had previously been recorded from Basilan, Mindanao, and Samar. Sulu Island?

[Iris dull violet-blue; bill dull grey, darker at tip; legs pale pink, with deep lake scales.—J. W.]

93. Gorsachius melanolophus (Raffl.); Steere, List Birds & Mamm. Philippines, p. 27 (1890); Bourns & Worcester, Occ. Pap. Minnesota Acad. Sci. i. no. 1, p. 32 (1894).

An immature specimen of the Malayan Tiger-Bittern from Samar completes the list.

XIX.—*Description of a new Bird of Paradise from British New Guinea.* By C. W. De Vis.

(Plate VII.)

The bird, of which I forward a specimen, appears to belong to a new genus of Paradiseidæ, which I propose to name (by request), after Lady Macgregor:—

J. G. Keulemans del. et lith. Mintern Bros. imp.

MACGREGORIA PULCHRA.

Macgregoria, gen. nov.

Bill shorter than head behind the nostrils, higher than broad ; culmen subacute, curved gently on basal, more rapidly on apical moiety ; edge of maxilla with a shallow subapical notch ; nostril narrow, elongate, half hidden by nasal plumes ; fore part of head with more or less erect plumes ; a large caruncle on the postero-lateral part of the head. Wing short, rounded ; primaries longer than secondaries and first primary longer than the second by equal lengths ; wing-tip rounded, formed by the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th quills. Tail moderate, rounded. Tarsus moderate, stout, scutellation entire fore and aft. Feet strong ; hallux equal in length to middle toe and claw.

Macgregoria pulchra, sp. nov. (Plate VII.)

Frontal, sincipital, and loreal plumes forming a compact brush, the frontals inclining forward, the sincipitals backward ; a caruncle extending from the fore end of the orbit above and below over the cheek, side of the neck, ears, and upper part of the side of the head. General colour black, caruncle yellow (orange-yellow in life) ; primaries rufous yellow, paler on the outer edges of the outer quills, black on the apical fifth. Iris dull red ; feet grey. Total length 325 mm. ; culmen 21·5 ; wing 187 ; tarsus 60·5 ; hind toe 32 ; tail 167.

Hab. Mt. Scratchley, British New Guinea, at 21,000 feet altitude.

Obs. Three examples of this bird, all (presumably) males, were obtained by Sir W. Macgregor, in May 1896, during his journey across British New Guinea from Mambare to the Vanapa River. Mr. A. Giulianetti, his Excellency's collector, notes that "the species is pretty common all over the Scratchley Range." He saw it up to about 12,600 feet of elevation.

[In a communication made by Prof. Giglioli to the 'Bollettino della Società Geografica Italiana,' fasc. 1°, 1897, it seems that this bird has been mentioned by Sir W. Macgregor, in a letter to Prof. Giglioli, as intended to be

named "*Maria macgregoria*." Unfortunately the generic term "*Maria*" has been already employed in zoology (Bigot, Rev. et Mag. de Zool. 1859, p. 311 : Diptera), so that we do not alter Mr. De Vis's name, which is stated to be given at Sir W. Macgregor's "request."—Edd.]

XX.—*Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club.*

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The thirty-ninth meeting of the Club was held at the Restaurant Frascati, 32 Oxford Street, on Wednesday, the 16th of December, 1896.

Chairman: P. L. Sclater, F.R.S.

Members present:—Boyd Alexander, G. E. H. Barrett-Hamilton, E. Bidwell, J. L. Bonhote, P. Crowley, Dr. F. D. Drewitt, H. J. Elwes, J. Gerrard, W. Graham, W. R. Ogilvie Grant, Col. P. W. L'Estrange, E. G. B. Meade-Waldo, R. Nesham, C. E. Pearson, H. J. Pearson, Frank Penrose, H. Saunders (*Treasurer*), R. Bowdler Sharpe (*Editor*), Rev. H. H. Slater, E. C. Taylor, Major Horace Terry, N. F. Ticehurst, W. F. Urwick, L. A. Williams, C. A. Wright, John Young.

Visitors: W. P. Crake, F. Curtis, Hon. Alfred Hood, F. E. Mugford, F. Turner.

The Hon. Walter Rothschild sent the description of a new Bird of Paradise :—

Loboparadisea, gen. n.

The type of this new genus differs from all others in having two wattles, which entirely cover the basal half of the beak, except a narrow ridge on the culmen. Size small; bill very broad at base, and short; feathers of underparts and rump decomposed and with a strong satiny gloss. No lengthened ornamental plumes. Tip of tail rounded.